



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
St Paul District

APPLICANT: Nicolet Minerals
Company

Public Notice

ISSUED: MAR 28 2001
EXPIRES: APR 27 2001

REFER TO: 94-01298-IP-DLB

SECTION: 404 - Clean Water Act

NOTICE OF DRAFT SCOPING DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

1. The District Engineer of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, has determined that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared as part of the Corps of Engineers public interest review for the permit application by Nicolet Minerals Company to discharge dredged and fill material into waters of the United States, including wetlands, in conjunction with the development and operation of the proposed Crandon Mine in Forest County, Wisconsin. This action is in accordance with Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations 325.2(a)(4) published November 13, 1986, in the Federal Register, Volume 51, Number 219.
2. On December 23, 1994, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers issued a Public Notice of intent to hold public scoping meetings regarding the proposed Crandon Mine. Two public scoping meetings were conducted, one in Madison, Wisconsin on January 31, 1995, and the other in Crandon, Wisconsin on February 7, 1995. In addition, scoping meetings were conducted on the reservations of three Native American tribes.
3. Based upon comments received by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during and after the scoping meetings, a Draft Scoping Document has been prepared. A copy of the Draft Scoping Document and a Response Form are being mailed to people on the Crandon Project mailing list. In addition, the Draft Scoping Document and the Response Form can be accessed via the Internet at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District Crandon Project website at the following address:

http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/project_info/info_papers/crandon/

This website will also be used to post future Crandon Project documents and updates.

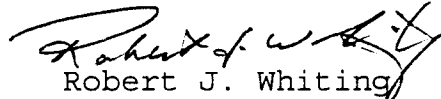
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SUBJECT: Notice of Draft Scoping Document Availability

4. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is requesting written comments on the Draft Scoping Document. All written comments and Response Forms should be sent to the St. Paul District. The record will be kept open for 30 days following the date of this Public Notice. All written comments will become part of the administrative record and will be made available for public examination.
5. Written comments should be addressed to the District Engineer, St. Paul District, Corps of Engineers, 190 Fifth Street East, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1638, ATTENTION: Jon K. Ahlness, Regulatory Branch. The telephone number for facsimile communications is 612-290-5330. The Email communications address is as follows:

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FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:


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